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TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

PEACE OVERTURES.

ES-Refuse to consider German Proposals.

December 31, 2 15 a.m. The Allies' reply to the German Peace Note-part of which we rublish in the earlier telegrams—goes on to say that the Note peace proposals will be successful, but the belief is growing that his It is also to be noted that the locality chosen for attack is that war was desired, provoked and declared by Germany and Austria. down and reveal peace terms. The reply proceeds to recall that it was the German delegate at the Hague Conference who refused all proposals for disarmament, that Anstria refused the satisfaction which Serbia offered, and that subsequently B itain suggested a conference, France an International Commission, the Tear asked the Kaiser to go to arbitration, and Russia and Austria actually came to an understanding on the eve of the conflict, "but to all these efforts Germany gave neither answer nor effect. Belgium was invaded by an Empire which had guaranteed her neutrality, and had the assurance to proclaim that Treaties were scraps of paper and necessity knows no law."

The reply proceeds to point out that "these tham peace offers" rest on the European war map alone, which represents only a superficial and passing phase of the situation and not the real strength of the belligerents. If peace were concluded on these terms, the only advantage would be to the aggressors, who, after imagining that they could reach their goal in two months, discovered that after two years it was never attainable.

Regarding the future, the reply declares that the innumerable enemy ontrages against belligerents and neutrals demand renalties. reparation and guarantees, of which Germany avoids mention. "These overtures are really nothing more than a calculated attempt to influence the future course of the war and finally to impose a German peace." The Note was also cent to create dissention among the Allies and to stiffen the public opinion of Germany and her Allies, who were all zeverely tried by their losses, worn out -conomically and crushed by the supreme effort imposed upon them. Another object was to decrive and intimidate neutrals, and, finally, seroplane has been passing over the town daily. Besides apying, to justify a new series of crimes in submarine warfare, deportations it is supposed to be engaged in postal service. Figured labour, the forced enlietment of the juhabitants against the foun countries and violations of neutrality. Fully conscious of there are indications that the blockeds is most effective. gravity of the moment, and equally conscious of its requirements. Habe Allies were closely united to one another and in perfect sympathy Southern Greece. menith their peoples in refusing to consider a proposal which was empty and insincere.

Once again, the Allies declare that no peace is possible so long as they have not secured reparation for violated rights and liberties. the recognition of the principle of nationalities and the free Entente's Note to Greece was presented to day. registence of small states. So far they have not brought about a sattlement calculated to end once and for all the forces which Peloponnesus to a number that is absolutely necessary to maintain constituted a perpetual menace to the nations and to affird the order; the transportation to the Peloponnesus of all arm ments and but now remain in the enemy's possession. The Russo-Rum misus single men's team was as only effective guarantees for the fature security of the world's peace.

offence against Belgium. ways that this injustice has been cruelly aggravated by the proceedings of the occupying forces, which have exhausted the resources of responsible for the orders given on December 1; applogies by the and been responsible for numerous massacres, executions and flags. imprisonments. At this very moment, while Germany is proclaiming

peace and humanity to the world, she is deporting Balgian citizans

by thousands, and reducing them to slavery. Press Opinion.

D-cember 31, 12.25 p.m. -The Allies reply to the German Peace Note which was published in the late editions of the morning papers, is hailed as a stinging exposure of Garmany's rather obvious "war manoenvre", and also as showing to Germany and the world that the Allies, despite "the European war map" are fully con clous of their growing strength and the enemy's inherent weakness.

Reuter's correspondent at Paris says that the newspapers describe the reply as based on consistent arguments and in a sober tone, and is, therefore, telling. They point out that the Allies' categorical refusal to parley is clearly expressed, permitting no misrepresentation.

Renter's correspondent at Washington says that the German Embassy unofficially expresses the opinion that the reply leaves a loophole for Germany to reply with specific terms.

A Second American Note.

December 31, 12.55 p.m. Renter's correspondent at Washington says that President Wilson has sent a second Note, which has not yet been presented to Agent. the belligerents. It is explanatory of the first.

December 31, 12.55 a.m. Reuter's correspondent at Madrid says that Spain has declined to support President Wilson's Note, thinking that it is premature and unelges.

The Writing on the Wall

January I, 3.15 p.m. The newspapers utter a chorus of approval at the Allies' Note. which finally clears the sir. If creates the best of impressions, on all the Allies, especially France and Italy, where it is regarded as the writing on the wall, removing the last doubt that the Allies are determined to and Garmany's trancherous methods,

Beverlau King's Boast.

January 1. 5.20 a.m. Region's correspondent at Ameterdam says that the King of ships, whose total tonnage was 367,000, valued at two hundred from to-day. Bayaria, in an Army Order, says that if the enemy refuses the niered hand, we will enforce peace upon him.

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THE PEACE OVERTURES.

Reply Staggers Americans.

January 1, 8.55 am. . .

Coun: Bernstouff maintains a brave face and insists the positions won by the Russians during the past month.

the Allies' intentions.

A Straight Tip.

January 1, 3.15 p.m. According to a message from Rome, the Tribuna hopes that the sending of Notes will now be ended. The war cannot be inflaenced by sentiment, as the Germans are still athirst for blood and gold.

the grefk crisis.

Italians Demand Reparation.

December 31, 9.30 p.m. According to Reuter's correspondent-in Athens, the Italian Minister has handed the Government a Note demanding reparation for the events of December 1 and 2, and also miking other demands.

The Effect of the Blockade

January 1, 1.15 p.m. Router's correspondent at Science states that an enemy

In Athens, which, except for wireless, is completely isolated,

The scarcity of cereals is beginning to be seriously with in

The Entente Note.

January 1, 3.20 p.m. According to Reuter's correspondent in the Piracus, the Triple

It demands the reduction of the Greek forces ontside the munitions exceeding those corresponding to thistorce; the prohibi-The reply concludes by dwelling on the enormity of Germany's tion of meetings of Reservists; the carrying of arms by civilians; the restoration of Allied controls; the immediate release of political Alluding to Belgium's trial for two-and-a-half- years, the reply prisoners; the indemnification of those who suffered unjustly in consequence of the events of Dacember I; the removal of the officer the country, rained the industries, devastated towns and villages, Greek Government to the Entente, and a public salute to the Allied

The Note intimates that Allied troops may shortly be landed at Itea (?) and conveyed to Salonica by the Lariers Railway. Our reserves will have full liberty of action in the event of the Greek Government's giving further cause for complaint. It pledges the Entente not to permit the Venizelist forces to cross the neutral sone,

The Note also declares that the blockade will be maintained until the Entente's demands are satisfied.

Italy Endorses the Note.

January 1, 3.40 p.m. According to Renter's correspondent at Athens, it is understood that Italy has endersed the Triple Entente's Note.

Italian Note Presented.

January 1, 11.45 p.m. According to Renter's correspondent at Athens, Italy has presented a Note to the Greek Government endorsing that of the Triple

A British Agent.

January 1, 11.45 p.m. An official message says that the Earl of Granville has been appointed the British Government's Representative to the Venixelos Provision I Government at Salonios, with the title of Diplomatio

THE SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN.

More Sinkings

December 30, 1.20 p.m.: Among the sinkings reported are the steamers Copeswood enemy pressure. (British), and Ida (Norwegian). Three British and one Norwegian eailing vessels have also been sunk.

More Steamers Sunk.

December 81. 4.55 a.m. The following sinkings are reported:-The British steamers the Norwegian steamer Nyegrand.

December 31, 9.30 p.m5 A Copenhagen message says that Norway, during 1916 lost 272 million kroner

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THE BALKAN STRUGGLE.

A New German Plan of Attack

December 30, 1.20 p.m. The fighting on the Moldsvish from is likely to essume increased importance. The German plan, apparently, is to combine The Allies' reply has staggered Americans, whom German a frontal attack with an outflinking movement. Probably the propagandists had led to believe that the nations of the Entente latter has not yet been fully developed, but there has been desperate were struggling among themselves to secure peace at any price. fighting in the region of the Uitos Vailey, which, with those im-The reply will undoubtedly have a most healthy effect in America. mediately adjaining, converges on Trotue, in the rear of the advance

does not consider the facts, dates and figures catablishing that the optimism is due to an expectation that Germany will quickly climb where the Russians join the Russians. The former are holding Uzul, while the latter occupy O.tus and the valleys to the south. There is little indication how Germany has received the Note, So far, the Germans seem not to have progressed since Sunday, An Enjoyable New Year's Treat. but telegrams speak of the growth of a feverish anxiety to know when the Rumanians lost some heights, most of which were recovered on the following day,

Destruction of Oil-Wells.

D camber 31, 12.25 p.m. Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam eags that the latest details of the destruction of the Rumanian oil-wells are contained in the Munich Neuesta Nachrichten, which say that the surface damage is eight millions sterling. This does not include the loss of production and the uncatimated damage underground. All the engine houses, cranes, surface and underground machinery were remarked and the oil tanks were fired. Toe destruction was not only workman-like but skilful.

Germans Compelled to Retire.

December 31, 5 35 p.m.

A German wirelessofficial message says: - We captured Russe-Romanian positions in the Oston valley. General Mackenson bowls, Inspector Kent was the encountered strong resistance to the north and east of Rimnical Sarat. In a strengous attack he entered the enemy's position and gained ground, after heavy fighting.

The enemy attempted to admance in Rumania, to the west of Brailov, but our rifle fire caused a complete retirement in disorder Juspector Gerrard and Sargeent land to entrench.

Twenty-three enemy battalions attacked in the centre of the Dibrudia, and compelled us to revise to our next line.

December 31, 8.05 p.m. A. wireless Russian official message caye: - There have been flerce battles in the Ones valley. The enemy, reinforced, has repeatedly men's team was composed of the attacked, and captured several heights

The enemy is stubbornly attacking on the Mildavian frontier, Inspector Territ, Inspector Garrod, but his offensive nor. h-west of 8:v - j has failed, the Rumanians being | nepectors Sullivan (2), Actg. victorious. Many prisoners were taken.

The heights on the Upper Patnu heve frequently changed hand: Sution, and Glendenning. The have dislodged the enemy from Bordeschi.

The enemy has repulsed the Rumanians north-west of the Lannon, Robertson, Buzen-Forsany railway, and in a third enemy attack in the D , brudj . south-east of Brailow, has occupied a height in our centre front.

December 31, 11.30 p.m. A German wireless official message says: - We threw back the Russians as far as the Brails bridgehead and gained positions to the cent of Macin, in the Debrudje.

Austrian Captures.

An Austrian official wireless message says :- East and northwest of Kezdi and Vasarhely we took Nereju and Tulnici.

Russo-Rumanian Positions Stormed,

Jacuary 1, 450 p.m. A German wireless official messga says: -- We stormed several of the Russo-Rumanian hill positions between the Uz valley and the Putna valley.

We repulsed fierce counter-attacks, and again defeated the Rumanians in northern Great Wallschia. Wa drove back the enemy halfway between Rimpicul Garat and Focusny,

We took presoner a thousand Bumanians to the west of Macin.

A Russian Report.

January 1, 5.00 p.m.

A wireless Russian official announcement says :-- We repulsed the German offensive southward of Pinek.

The enemy strongly attacked the Rumanians on both banks of the Kazino, but eastward of the Moldavian frontier the Rumanians maintained their positivns.

The Rumaniana were obliged to retire in the region of Patroanu Increase: and to the west of Foosany. We took up new positions from Focsany to the Danube without

Stubbora Resistance

January 1, 11,45 p.m. -An Austrian wireless message say :- The Austro-Germans are aghting their way forward in the apper valleys of Zobs, Naroja and Patne.

Our battalions have stormed reveral successive positions Zorosater, Aislaby, and Oronssy, the Swedish steamer Sereddio, and in the Narja region, the enemy defending every loot of the ground,

CONTROL OF IRISH RAILWAYS.

January I, 4.55 p.m. The Government has taken over control of the Irish railways

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Mr. Fenwick Harrison.

Linden Sheatved, January L. The design an annuunoud of Mr. homes Fanwick Harrison, a retired Liverpool marshant;

POLICE RECREATION CLUB.

The annual New Year's sports and children's treat were held at the Police Recreation Clab yesterday afternoon. There was a very large attendance, and a very thoroughly enjoyable time was spent by all present. Besides a very excellent tea, there was a large Christmas tree for the obildren, and this was laden with toys and useful articles. Needless to say, a good deal of placewreable excitement was caused while its branches were being stripped. During the afternoon, Mrs. McL. Messer distributed the prises for tennis and successful winner of the tennia Cournament, Inspector Grant being the runner-up. Surgeant McDonald won the bowls cap, and Pitt were second and third. The Gourley Bowle Cups were won by inspector Kent and Inspector

Desing the afternoon, sports were held. The premier event was the tag-of-war between matried and single police. The married. following: -Sergeant Parden, Inspector Davitt, Sergeants Pitt. follows:-P. O.'s Nicholls, Harron, Perkins, Vincent, Hogg, Logan, Les. Sirgeant Tuiloch, and Sargeant Mc Waiter. The single man. after a hard struggle, took the first pull, but the two succeeding were taken by the married men who were very exultant at their victory. Other events were:

Genie under 35:-1, Sergeent Grimmitt, 2, P. C. Alexander. Gents over 35:--1, Bergeant Floyd: 2. Sergeant Boulger. Ladies' nomination; -- 1, Mrs. Kent; 2, Mr. Suttoo; 3, Mrs.

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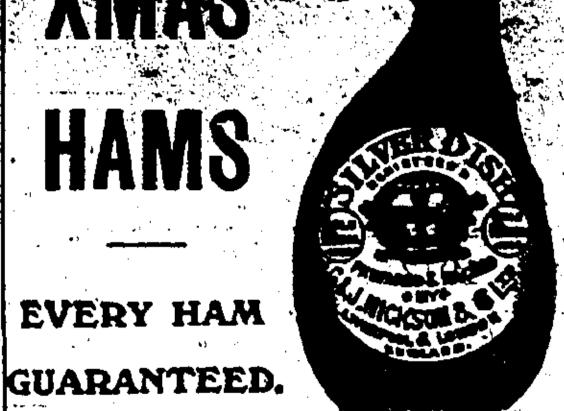
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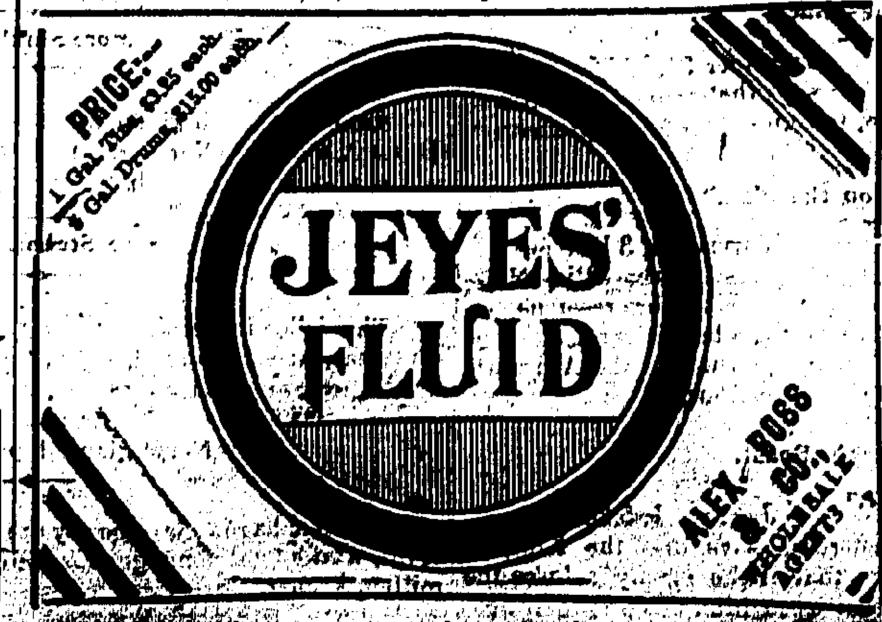
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Discussing the Matherlands Indian Badget the Gastte de Hollands says that an amount of A.1.081,700 is saked for as an increase in the salaries of cflicials on the Interior Government -- In views of the extension of British Bovernment influence wing the Western Section of British: New Gaines, it is accessry to extend the coppe of our Government sotivities in South New Geines, to suppress native raids and cannibalians; fl.41,520 bas been pioposed for the purpose.: For some years to come no rendidates the official posts on Chicere Affaire are to be sent to China, so that the cetimates for this section hate teen: reduced by # 8 400. off cover the deficit for the whole expenditure up to the enditof 1917. about fl.276;163,000: 11 evailable:—(a) the remainder of the 1898 loan available on Dec. 31, 1901, samely, fi.17.635 2572 (b) the proceeds from the 1905 lose, or £ 39,982,477, (c) witho proceeds of the Indian loans 1945 fl 59 375,000, and 1916; fl 79, 600,000, together, fl.196,602,000, The difference of about 4 79 561 -000, saine deduction of the pevenues from taxes amountingeo 12,500,000 ... will cohers learning supplied by a loan. The ordinary expenditure for 1917 is estimated at 4 348.776,572. n musing co: Lt. Col. B. C. Fairlax.

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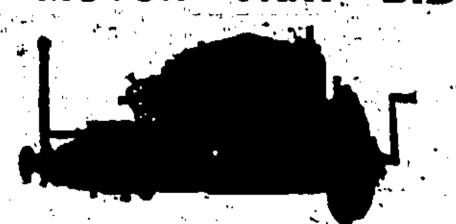
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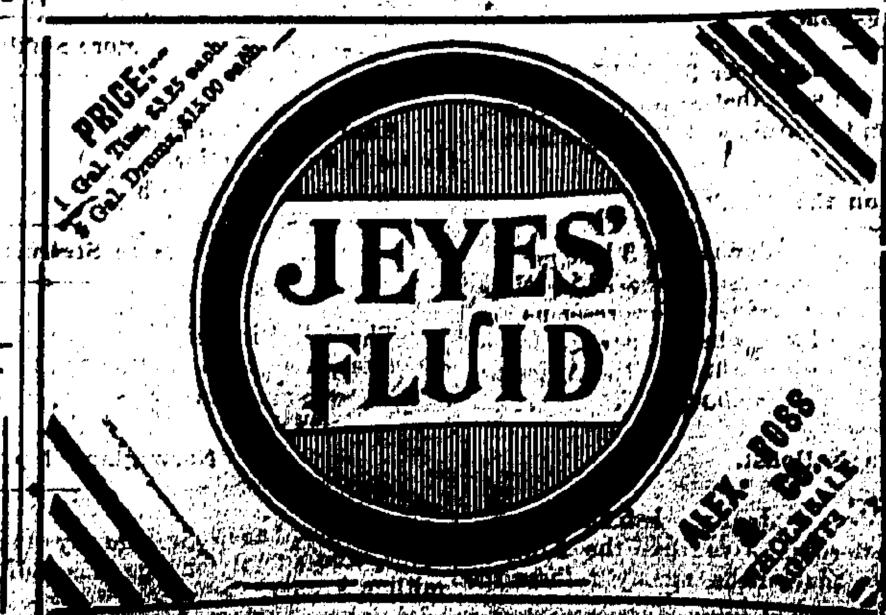
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Datch Indies Affaire. Discussing the Metherlands Indian Bodget the Casette de Hollands says that an amount of fl.1.081.700 vis saked for as an increase in the salaries of cilicials on the Interior Government: ** In view of the extension of British Government influence minm the Western Section of British New Guines, it is necessary to extend the scope of our Government activities in South New Guines, to suppress native raids and cannibeliane; fl.41,520 has been pite posed for the purpose. For some years to come no condidates the official posts on Chinese Affairs are to be sent to China, so that the cetimetes for this sections hatte teen reduced by 48 400. ofto cover the deficit for the whole expenditure up to the endirect 1917. about 4.276;163,000; 11 14:11 available: (a) the remainder of the 1898 losn available on Dec. 31, 1961, namely, 4.17.635,2474; (b) the proceeds from the 1906 loan, or fi 39.992,477, (c) the proceeds of the indian loans 1945 fl 59 375,000, and 1916; fl 79 600,000, together, £ 196,602,000, The difference of about 4 79,5612-000; safter deduction of the perenues from three smountingsto fl & 500,000 ... will sohew 140 8 be supplied by a loan. The ordinary expenditure for 1917 is estimated

At. Col. B. C. Fairtax Lieutenent-Colonel Beyon C. Fairfex, who has just been gazetted to the command of a Chinese Bittalion of Labourers from command of the 17th Bettelion King's Liverpool Regiment had considerable experience of the Chinese in South Africa Joining the Purbase Light Infinter in 1893, and served in Chief during the compaign of 1907 (special mith of cheep); if too pert with the mounted infante of the "Faithful Durhame "it the South Adrices War of 1981 Q2, placing various actions in the Transvell, Orange River Golomy and Cope Colony to his medit (Queen a r Medal () within lione claspe). In 1906 he was appointed Inspector of Chinese Labour in the Transvall, and theid that appointment till the abolition of indentured labour in that country. Rejoining the Durhame, he did duty till early in 1914, when he retired with the reak of major. Rejning a few mobile later at the outbreak of the war, be was gesetted subsequently -- to - the -- nosimand the 17th Buttelion of the King's Liverpool Regiment let City of Liverpool Bettelionshility sings. Boing an expert in the handling of Chiases, Lauren-ant-Colosel Feldus should bring his new Chinese Labour Core bu it is clinially described, bigh state of efficiency.

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Preacher or Baker? The case of a baker named 64560 Kick, of Carry Rivett, Somerset, 64331 who was convicted for failing to 64533 present himself when called up for military rervice, came before the Divisional Court in London test month. Mr. Kick alleged that cala minister of an undenominational body he was exempt, and he applied for a rule to have the conviction quashed. The magistrates had held that he was not a regular minister and refused to state a case, but the Lord Chief Justice said the Court found that the man was in prison, and had been refused the only method by which he could raise the appeal and regain his liberty. The Court decided that" a cans should be etated within seven days.

Bavarian' Cowardice During

Berne, Nov. 21.—Neutral eyewitnessess present when the French airman de Beauchamp flew over and bombed Munich, and who have reached Zurich, state that the bombs were simed at strategio points-railwaysand caused no casualties, but a considerable number of people were injured by the effects of the panic which caused. The men revesled a state of al ject cowardice, and in their wild rush to get to places of safety knocked down and trampled upon women and children without the lesst semblance of order. Everyone's behaviour was a diegusting example of "Kultur." A neutral from Munich remarks that on the day of Beauchamp's exploit many Bavarians expressed doubts as to the ethics of bombarding strategical points near centres of

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THE OLD YEAR AND THE NEW.

On this second day of another New Year we offer cordial greetings to all our readers," adding the fervent hope that the end of 1917 may see the world once more at peace. How much nearer the year that has just gone has brought us to a satisfactory settlement of our little secount with Garmany is for experts to say; it is at least plain, even to us out here, that, if territorial gain on the Western front has been small, and if Rumania has to be added to the list of material sufferers by the war. Germany is yet being made to feel the strain in a very practical and effective manner. The close of 1916 has shown us our enemy gasping and staggering under the repeated blows that the French and British are inflicting on the great Western battlefield; it has shown us a discontented, dis-- appointed and half-starved German populace, and an Austrian Empire that is hastening down the slope that leads to disintegration. Better still, it has shown us a new Britsin: a Britain more resolved than ever upon conquest, more closely united than ever to her fearless Allies, and stronger a thousand times by reason of her having placed her affairs in the hands of a Government that is taking upon itself to atone for the fatal errors of its predecessors, that will make the most of the Empire's resources and that will not be fooled by enemy's peace manosuvres. The year that has gone has witnessed the loss of one whom King and people could least spare: Earl Kitchener; the withdrawal of the troops from the Dardanelles and the cruel Meeopotamian blunder are other features; and to these, unfortunately, have to be added many failures that might so easily have been successes had Britain not been curred with a Cabinet of interested persons or mere drivellers. All this is now, we firmly believe, being left behind, and its place taken by of such regulations until after a worthier regime, under which Britain and her Allies must inevit- the war. The question is one of ably march to a corclusive victory.

While slaughter and terrorism and mourning and political intrigue have gripped the greater part of Europe, our own quarter of the world has fortunately been able to purtue its ordinary way, with, practically speaking, no anxiety, ill luck or inconvenience than in former Ohina has undergone another petty-civil war; but that is nothing out of the ordinary. Yuan Shih-k'ai has gone to join his fathers, but his death has by no means brought about that consation of squabbling, joslousy, knavery and scheming which his adversaries fondly prophesied. China still is China: the land of underhand methods, exposed by her own want of integrity and of unity to the machination of fees from within and without. The Province nearest to us has endured a sharp period of internecine war which could quite essily have been avoided. Its government has now - been placed in new and wiser hands, but even so it is difficult to feel sanguine as to its prosperity during the coming year. Kwangtung has always been fair game for the lovers of conspiracy and turmoil; and, even at this moment, it contains some dangerous elements that, on the first helf-chance, will plunge the luckless inhabitants into yet deeper and more far reaching trouble.

Meanwhile in Hongkong we go muddling on, doing after our kind : ploughing the sand, and calculating on a fairly generous harvest of figs from the thistles which we so assiduously cultivate. The war, with which, from a combatant point of view, we have besitated to have very much more than a bowing acquaintance, has brought no mean prosperity to the Colony; and big dividends, big share deals or comfortable payment for conscranip duties grimly serious, one would be in- firing crackers on December 23. have rendered some of us fat and well liking-that the saying might be fulfilled, "It's an ill wind that blows nebody good." Happily we are able to record that, of its substance, the Colony has contributed much to the v-rious war Funda, and trust that the amount will be doubled during the present year. On two little matters our readers may perhaps congratulate themselves. (a). practically all male European British subjects, together with quite a large number of Eurasians and Atlatics, are now serving, without any compulsion, in one or another couple of specific proposalsof the King's auxiliary forces, while meny women have also enrolled namely, that there shall be for voluntary war work; (b). another off it has been made at obtain. no discussion of the responsibility ing for this Colony what it should have had many years ago: some for the war, a. d no subjection of Police Court this morning, three kind of representative government. The scheme still lacks a good Germany! Quite a nice idea, smelters were charged with stealdeal of leverage, and it will be the duty of all of us, during the year 1917, to belout along, to the best of each man's ability. Woolly with and bungling hands have controlled the public affairs of Hongkong turmoil, doesn't desire that the plainant is a man who has a Mackensie well be that the close of the year upon which we have just entered will find us beginning on the after-compaign; that of crippling determination of the Allies to see part a deal of this valuable Hongkong: As is well known, the Government here is no more than a puppet in the hands of that at Home, and the Empire has not yet seen enough of the new Administration to be able to decide whether it is or is not likely to ban the Hun from British territory when peace comes. Rad the late Government remained in power, there is little doubt but that the way would have been made amouth] enough for his return; it is even thinkshie that we might have been at when handed before a Police, with the result that the called upon to strew flawers in his path. This will not happen now; magistrate—he would be quite defendants were arrested, when H. F. Un, b Wild meretheless it becomes all loyal Britishers to band logsther to prevent any underirable possibilities. If the Imperial Government of the Germans, the local authorities will of course, be powerless—unless the men of Hongkong are prepared to "do their bit" by making if known that any Germans who, said to closely into the questions of the said second being S. K. Ng. 19 Britishers to be applied to panish him for his sins!

These panish was all loyal Britishers to bend logsther to applied they make or lain statements. Wei Los flore, be good to wild they make or lain statements. Wei Los flore, bend they lain they make or lain statements. Weil t

Shipbuilding Control. On Beturday we published regulations made by the Governor-in-Council placing the Colony's granted that they form part and of a general Imperial policy. By the regulations, no chipping construction or repair work can be undertaken with- | on out the permission of the 4.9/16d. authorities, and such permission may be subject to such conditions and limitations as the Government considers necessary. Thus, in a very real sense, the Government has assumed control of all ship-building establishments in the Colony. As will have been seen from a telegram which which these regulations were promulgited, the Imperial Govern- feet of mast above water. ment is most thoroughly going into the whole question of ship construction. An Advisory Omconsider the acceleration of shipship-building programme. There a hillside. is evidence, therefore, that the matter of maintaining our, shipping supremacy is receiving cireful attention, and we may take it that the new Hongkong regulations are designed to assist towards that end.

This question of speeding-up of merchant shipbuilding has been mu h to the fore at Home of late. In Parliament and out of it, inlistent representations have been made to show the danger of our beingoutstripped by other nationa in this direction. And not a few complaints have been uttered in regard to delay in the completion of ships under construction. s case in point, the Journal of Commerce recently draw attention the fact that the British authorities are the only ones who have ratified an International Convention and put into operation certain of its findings which impose a penalty on British shipowners. step has apparently been taken in spite of representations made by responsible ship-building intereste, suggesting the suspension compliance with the standard laid down by the Convention regarding ships of the "mixed plesenger and cargo type, which complicates the construction and so lengthens the time required building. merely in regard new construction that regulations are found to be hampering ship-building-there are certsin recommendations concerning water-tight bulkheads on old vessels; and here also it is pointed out that British shipping is penalised at a time when every effirt should be made to facilitate construction and expedite delive y. The whole question is a most important one, and we can only hope that the new measure

up-holding of our supremacy. A Brilliant Idea. of the German Pesce Note was that it contained no concrete projournal mentioned with many, who plunged the whole 60 slabe of gold and lead alloy to Silkstone world into i's present terrible the value of \$1,200. The com- Rouse question of onlyability should be large gold-bester's shop in investigated. And, in view of the Hongkong, and for some time the business through, one can motal has been missed. Enquiries quite appreciate her stipula- were set en fcot, and although ion that she should eecape the defendants, who were tokis in scoring in this match, played at W. Gittens, h Southerton ... punishment for her rapardon- his employ; were closely watched able arimes against humanity. A mothing was discovered. The

of control now instituted will

materially contribute towards the

DAY BY DAY.

ship-building and ship-repairing TO COTOURN IN EVERY PLACE AS facilities under Government con- if YOU MEANT TO SPEND YOUR trol. The reasons which have led LIFE THERE; NEVER OMITTING AN OPPORTUNITY OF DOING A KINDNESS, OR SPEAKING A TRUE. stated, but we may take it for WORD, OR MAKING A PRIEND .-

> The Dollar. The opening rate of the dol demand to-day was

> To-morrow's Anniversary. To-morrow is the 114 h anni veresty of the birth of Douglas Jerrold, the celebrated humourist.

A Sunken Junk. At noon on-December 28, Lat. 28 degrees N., Long. 12 came to hand on the day on degrees E, the s.s. Kwanglee passed a junk awash with twenty

A Coolle's Death. An earth-coolie, employed at mittee has been appointed to the Tai Po Tau village, has died from injuries received through a building and the general admini- large quantity of earth falling or stration of the nation's new him whilst he was digging at

> Alice Memorial . Hospital. The Hon. Tressurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitale bege to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the

A Year for Snatching. A Chinese was charged before C. F. Mason, b Braga Court this morning, with stealing s bangle from a small child. previous conviction was proved against him, and his Worship R. E. O. Bird, b Braga sent him to prison for a year.

Probably Wrecked. A woman has reported that her hueband, with three fokie, wen out in a fiabing boat to fish from the village of S.i Ah Chi and have not returned. It is thought the men were wrecked, for portions of the bost were found at another village close by.

Blg Robbery. A widow, residing at 2, U Lam Terrace, has laid information with the Police regarding a robbery which occurred at her dwelling, some person having effected an entry and stolen \$2,121 in jawellery and money from a cale.

Rescued. to the Government Civil Hospital W. L. Wesser, b Smith owing to an immersion in the H.S. Rouse, b Pelmer water. Apparently he had tried O. J. Stapleton, o Veal, Dix to commit suicide, for he was O. Woodman, b Palmer seen to jump into the water and A. E. Silkstone, b Palmer it was only due to the promptitude D. J. Macker zie, not out of the coxewain of the Kwong J. M. Jack, c Veal, b Dix Sim steam launch that he was F. Travers, c Dir, b Palmer... 12

Benefit of the Doubt. A Chinese was charged on remand, before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Police Court this morning. with stealing a quantity of coal from the Miten Bishi Goshi Ksisha coal yard at Yaumati. Mr. P. W. Goldring defended. Further | Smith ...

evidence was called in the case, Palmer ... and His Worship said he would Dix give defendent the benefit of the doubt and discharge him. Cracker-Firing.

No fewer than 18 Chinese were charged before Mr. Wood, at the If the subject were not so Police Court this morning, for elined to treat the remarks of the Inspector Sullivan brought the Koelnische Zeitung, regarding cases and said that most of the peace, as a most delightful piece crackers were fired in close of hamour. The one characteristic proximity to the Hospital and that Dr. Koch had complained that patients were being disturbed by possis whatever. Now comes the the noise. There was one defendant absent, and the rest were fined \$2 each.

Gold Theft.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Naturally enough, Ger- ing, during the past five months, Weaser borgler caught red handed would manager of the abop had very through the figh bouling of Un D. K. Samy not out no doubt like a similar lies follow. Mrave suspinions and informed the How-lan. Sopres :they made cortain statements. Wei Lee flow, a Godfrey, b

All three defendants were conroted the first and conord heim.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

Kowloon 1st v" Civil Service,

Playing at Happy Valley on P. O. Pratt ... 12 Saturday, Kowloon, mainly be- Asst. Payr. Wild 11.4 1 51 cause of some fine bowling by Brags, essily defeated the Civil Service Scores:-

Kowioon. V. Braga, c Taochi, Hamilton ... B. D. Evans, b Hamilton W. T. Elson, b Hamilton W. H. Stepleton, b Marley ... K. McLennan, run out J. H. Mead, b Witchell J. P. Bobinson, b Hamilton... A. O. Brawn, not out J. C. Fletcher, b Bird E. J. Edwards and H. Overy did not bat.

> Total (for 8 wickets) 169 Un Hew Fun ... 6 Bowling.

funde of the Haspital :-Ginseng R.C. Witchell, l.b.w., b Evans 14 E. W. Dawson, b Braga G. E. Marley, b Braga McLannan, b Brage Braga W. Franks, b Braga Extras ...

> 7 Ng Sze-kwong ... Kowloon and v. R.G.A. a closely-contested match result-

Kowloon and, A Chinese has been conveyed Lt. Gray, o Smith. Palmer ... 36 J. Raiston, o Hertree, b Dix... 8 W. L. Handyside, b Dix Extras

Total ... Bowling. M. B. W. 1 S. Jex., st. Fane, b Ng Sac-4 R Bass, b Dixon ... R.G.A. Opl. Smith, b Wesser ... 25

b Silkstone... Col. Lacey, c b Silketone... Mr. Gr. Hartree, k Weaser Bi. Veal. b Silkstone Gar. Shew, b Silkstone Gar. Whiling, b Rouse Gar. Lord, not out ...

Estras

Total ...118 J. D. Wright, c Goldenberg,

There was not a deal of high W. Hall, b Bradbury Happy Valley on Saturday. The D. P. Dixon, o Bues, b Brad-Recreetion Clare basily woo. bucy

J. Yew, b Pratt A. Kew, run out

. Wong, b Pratt Hung In Kwong, not cut G. T. Lam, o Hall, b Wild ...

Total ...

Bowling.

" The Navy.

Asst Payr. Robinson, b Un 🛶

Ng Sza Kwong...

four runs. Scores:

S. Jer. b Dixon

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Dixon

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L. A. Rose, not out

Craigengower v. The University.

Craigengower managed to win

this New Year's Day match by

Craigengower, 1st Innings.

B. W. Bradbury, c Samy, b

A. Mann, c Hall, b Ng Exc-

R. G. Southerton, b Ng Szy-

G. F. Thompson, c Gittens, b

A: Goldenberg, b Ng Sze-

Extras ...

Bowling.

University 1st Innings.

A Ponsonby Faue, b

J. D. Wright, b Southerton ..

A. H Rumfiehn, c Southerton,

A. de Souxa, o Goldenberg, b

Chow Yat Cheong, c Souther-

Total ...

Bowling.

Craigengower, and Innings,

R. G. Southerton, b Ng Sze-

B. W. Bradbury, o Rumjahn,

L. A. Rose, c Hall, b Dixon.

S. Ismail, cand b Wright...

Extras

Total

University, and lanings.

R. A. Ponsonby Fane, o

G. Hall, b Southerton

A. H. Rumjshn, b Southerton

Ohow Yet cheong, b Souther-

A. de Souss, o Mann, b Brad-

Ng Sze-kwong, b Bradbury... 59

Southerton, b Jex...

W. Hall, b Southerton

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G. Hall, b 8:utherion

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W. Gittens, b Scutherton

Southerton...

b Jex

Total ...

After an exciting finish,

Lieut. Hali, o Lee, b Un Pto. Cocke, c Ching, b Un ... Asst Pyr. Wild, c Ching, b Ng 18 C. P. O. Pratt, b Un 33 P. O. Kitson, run out 5 P. O. Buclay, b Ng ... 38 G. Ackrill, c Lee, b Ng g G. Pink, o Wei, b Ua 20 H. Horne, b Un T. Godfrey, not out

Extrag...

J. R. Wood, at the Police R. A. B. Ponsonby-Fane, c E. W. Hamilton, b Evans ... P. T. Lamble, b Evans C. J. Tacchi, c McLennan, b O. Sara, not out

Total ... Bowling.

Played at Kowloon on Saturday, ing in a win for the home eide by Ng Sza Kwong, b Southerton 13 five runs. Scores :-

10 D P. Dixon, b Jex ... n D. K. Samy, not out...

6 G. F. Thompson, o Rumjahn. Bd. Dix, c Woodman, b Wesser Bi. Galner, c Mackensie, Stapleton, ... 20 J. D. Noris, c Rumjahn, b Gnr. Palmer, b Meckenzie ... 11 A. Goldenberg, not out Gar. Page, b Rouse ...

Chinese Recreation Club v. Navy.

THE NEW YEAR.

How it was Marked in Hongkong.

Although there were no public celebrations of any kind, many recidents of Hongkong saw out the Old Year and welcomed in the New. On the chiming of midnight on Sunday, steemers in port blew their sirens and rang their belis, while some sent up a coloured flares. On shore, Chinese crackers were fired off in many Querters.

New Year's Day was marked by perfect weather, and outdoor sport was very largely enjoyed. Special menus were cerved in the principal n botels and cafes, and at the Hongn kong Hotel there was a largelyattended informal dance at night. music being provided by the Hotel orchestra.

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On Sunday there was a watchnight service at St. Peter's church. while at. Union Church New Year's Eve was spent, as in past years, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavour Society Booisl manner." The gathering took place Lecture Hall, closing at 11.45 with a watchnight pervice. large number was present, and the programme included music and recitations, while refreshments were served. Sacred songs were 2 given by Mrs. Bryant, Mr. A. Williams and the Rev. J. Kirk 0 Maconschie, and recitations and J. D. Noria, b Ng Szr-kwong 18 readings by Mesurs. A. Hughes, Parrott and Lamble. The subsequent service was conducted by Mr. Maconachie.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued to day by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, D. S. P. (Reserva).4[state :--

Police School. Thursday, Jan. 4.—Staff Class (Chief Inspector Kerr). To be attended by all members detailed. in Orders of Dec. 29/39. Friday, Jan. 5-Class III (In-

spector Gerrard) Recruits Wednesday, Jan. 3.—Parade at

Central, 5.30 p.m. Band. The band will attend the

Hongkong Police Reserve Sports' Night at the Theatre Royal on the 6th, instant. They will be in place at 8.45 p.m.

Band Practice .- We incodey. Jap. 3.

FOOTBALL

The Club v. K.S.L I.

There was only one really attractive match at Happy Valley on M. R. W. Siturday afternica, and that was 6 the one between the Hongkong 4 Football Club and the Shropshires, which took place on the ground of the former club, in the presence of was one of the biggest crowds

seen at a match this season. The Club were set to face the sun in the opening half, and the class of football seen was certainly good. Although the Club did all A. Mann, I b w., b Dixon ... 51 they could to gain the lead, the Bhropshires were playing a fine game. Both goals were visited in turn, and the first point of the match was registered whon Peplow shot from long rapge and beat the Club goelie with a shot which most people thought the custodian should have cleared without difficulty. The second goal of the Shrorshires followed almost immediately From the kick-off the forward line of the soldiers went 15 down the field together and ended a nice movement by headging well out of the reach of the oustedism. The goal was a splendid one. Play from now up to the interval, was of the ding- one and dong order, but the Shropshires cortainly showed up better then

their opponents. The stoodd half ear the Club in brighter mood, and they out tainly had most of the play. The Shrop thires defence proved and

FROM THE PULPIT.

Thoughts for the Year-End.

Notes of a sermon by the Rev. The local office of the Chartered "And this, knowing the sesson, day's date from London :neerer to us then when we first ceived 6 per cent. Exchequer believed."-Romans 18/11.

At the close of the year even ficates". The least reflective take conscious note of the passage of time. We all pause for a moment to look back on the course of the rolling stream down which we are being us probably say to ourselves the 3rd inst. something whose purport is that, in some direction or other, "it is high time to awake out of aleep." In the still moment between the whom the stirring call of the years we realise the value of the Apoetle came in the first instance time which is passing by and having to think twice before which will not return. But let acquiercing in it fully. We see us not, overlook the supporting from the context that these people reason which follows the season- were expessed to grave and gross able exhortation of the text. It temptations in the course of is high time to awake, says the Apostle to his readers, because which they looked, and that they now is talvation nearer at hand did not at all times successfully then when we first believed."

the year-and are broken becaute those slumbers to which Chrisso often they are made under tians are too prone on the the lash of represent rather than Hills of D'fficulty or in the the inspiration of hope. The Enchanted Grounds they meet thect of the lash is soon over. with on the road to Zon. Arous-Life under lash is a series of ed thus, a man may well feel that, spasmodic offits, exhausting in instead of having come nearer, looks forward in encouragement. and felt himself a new o esture. Bedemption, it seems to say, His heart was aglow, his mind is drawing near, the reward of the was charmed, his will seemed the beginning of His good work in their hearts and its completion; time he should be awakend. But phone 2161, Sawyer. Therefore lift up your hearts.

It has frequently been remarked that whereas the golden age of heathen epeculation was placed in the past, the golden age of Obristianity lies in the future. Certainly the spirit of the gospel is one which looks forward an i prompts movement onward toward the noblest corceptions both of general and of personal life which have dawned on the horison of human thought. Christ -came to work for us a complete redemption, and the very slow ness of the process is a guarantee of its thoroughness. A work which will stand is not done in a day, nor in a thousand years, which is but one of God's days. Men look back over these two days of God since "the beginning of the gospel of Christ," and describe them as.

"Twice a thousand years of wrong, "Of conflict and of sin."

been getting put right, conflot is far better," is of a kind moving to victory, sin whose which finds little expression sting has been antidoted and nowadays, perhaps. Yet it exists, whose fell grip is being slowly and welcome is its fulfilment loosened.

a thousandth part of one of God's laden. And as we think of such deys. Shall we think of we are reminded that not one of it despondently, as but us knows how near to ourselves further postponement consummation already long delayed? Shall we re-Conceive it rather se one year the blessed results of His love to men, one day meerer to the stowning day which is soming bye and bee, a minute, a second of pipeer approach to the close of the great year of Time, at whose and will begin the true divine sabbath when the Worker redemption shall rest from His latour, shall "see of the travail of

EXCHEQUER BONDS.

The 6 Per Cent. Issue Stopped

Kirk Maconschie at Union Bank is this morning in receipt of Church on Sunday morning: the following telegram of yester-

that now it is high time to awake "Treasury announce that no but of sleep, for now is salvation further"spplications will be re-Bonds or War Expenditure Certi-

At the Bijon Theatre, Miss Mr C. E. Anion carried, and to consider what Sonia Halansi will give a classical Capt. S. Powell point we may have arrived at. barefootdance to the "Valse lente" *Knowing the meason," most of from "Coppelia" on Wednesday,

working out the salvation for resist them. Like ourselves, they The good resolutions made at needed to by roused out of

faith and patience is approachsteadfast. The energies of grace
sing. Another stage is passed, not were keenly felt, and the Christian in a weary, hopeless jurney, but beginner thought he could never in the pilgrimage which leads to find chaim or meduction in the old. Directors heaven. The night is fir spent, life any more. Then he fell a leep. the day is at hand, and it His roll slipped from his hand, someth with the morning. God's and he was benighted and unpurposes are moving on. His love directed upon an unknown road. lasts. He is the "reward" of So far from being nearer at hand, His people no less than their entystion seemed to be reciding captain who leads the Yan. into the sphere of the impossible. This year now nearly gone The man felt out of touch with | OST, Again, from 3, Macis one more during which his Lord, his last state appeared Donnell Road, a smooth-He has been working all things worse than his first, and nothing haired FOX-TERRIER DOG, together for good to them that remained says "a catain fearful looking for and expectation of the heginning of His good work independent". Together it was bigh judgment." Truly it was high reward given for return. Tele-

> 'Exhort one another." says the Scripture, "and so much the more as ye see the day drawing nigh," but if our exhortings and arousings are such as only to cast others into despondence, they differ wholly from God's. You do not wake a sleeper to tell him he is hopelessly lost; you tell him he may be saved if he bestir himself. And even to the man who may have fallen asleep during this past year his salvation is nearer at hand if he will address himself now to his work with a

not to mere discouragement.

"Nearer than when we first believed;" there are those to whom the thought has been growing more familiar and more welcome year by year. Age, weakness heavy sufferings, repeated bereavements, these put a colour of their own into the reflection of some among us on the passing years. The "desire to depart But it is wrong which has and to be with Ohrist, which when the final "come unto Me" And now closes one more year, is spoken to the weary and heavyof or to our dearest that final call too may be.

This only is almost a vertainty -and a very solemn certainty it heart-sickness of hope deferred, is that of the assembly gathered an added trial of endurance to here this morning not all will them that watch for the morning, still be in this mortal probation a tightening strain on the courage on the closing Sunday of and devotion of all who pray and another year. Someone will be work for God and for their kind? missing, and whether the missing shall be he who speaks or one less between our Seviour God and of you who listen, whether chosen foun the hale or the nick, from the aged, the children, or those now in their prime, is what none can even surmiss. May we alt then be awake and vigilant, that when we open our eyes from the last eleep which awaits us all it may be to Juluese of salvation in Him who is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever! "The night

Competition Results.

The Bogey Competition, played December 30 and 31 and January 1, over the Fanling course, resulted as follows :-

Thomson ... Mr E. Golland eraupa IlA ... Mi F. H. Kales ... All square Mr H. Hat cock ... All square Dr. Woodman ... All Equare Mr W. D. Kraft Mr F. Maitland Mr A Ritchio

Barker's Cup.

There were 130 entries.

	Won by Mr. R M. Austin in the replay Capt. J. Dawar Hon. Mr. A. M Thom-	3 down 5 down 7 down
ŀ	·	7 down 7 down
	Mr. P. P. J. Wode-	14 down

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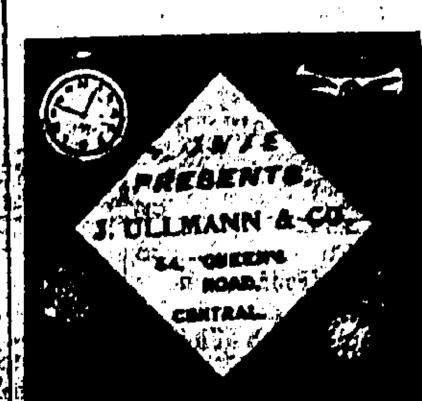
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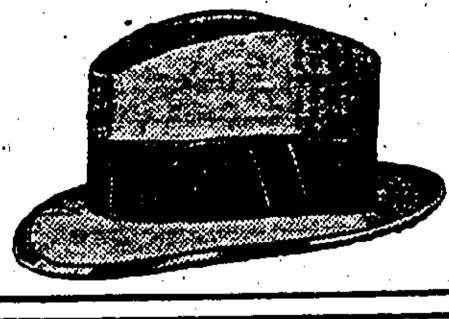


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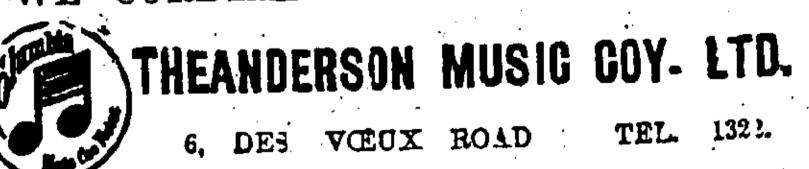


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upon the tonnage in dock daily, being \$4,750 tons as compared.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

Penang Tonnage.

The tonnace handled by the

Penang Harbour Board during

the half-year ending June 39 last."

shows an increase on the previous.

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highest monthly total was 38.765

half-year. The average gross tonnage of vessels docked was:-Half-year ending December, 1915. 878 tons: } alf-year June 30. 1916. 1.109 tons. The Swedish Shipowning Fever. The speculative promotion of new shipping companies is pro-; ceeding merrily in the Scane dinavian countries, says the Liverpool "Journal merce." Occasionally a new company finds some difficulty in obtaining all the requisite general rule the shares are overat subscribed. A peculiar case -as reported in the Norwegian Press-is that of a company formed to turchase the steamer; folynesis. The capital was largely over subscribe ! and even while the vessel was completing

her last voyage for account of the former owners, the shares rose to 200 per cent. The Polyresia. however, was sunk, so that the company was left without its ship and only the laturance policy as an asset, so the shares immediately fell to p:r. It is a curious fact the s veral companies have been established in Norway for running Swedish slips. Owing to the export prohibition. these vessels worked by Normoney in Norway, and then "lend" it to a Swedish "man of straw," who buys the ship int question and runs it in his own name. This explains to some extent the large number of new companies that have recently made their appearance in Sweden but it would be a mistake to suppose that all the new Swedish companies are of a speculative character, many of them have only thing they have to fear is a

Elder Dempster Purchases in Niger'a.

London, Nov. 18.-The Press

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that in the recent Nicerian sale. Mr. H. M. Stanley (Messes, St. Quint'n, Son, and Stanley) was acting for Elder Dem ster and Co., Ltd., of which Sir Owen Philipps, K.C.M.G., OM.P., is chairman. Messrs. Elder Demoster and Co., Ltd., were the purchase s of Gaiser and Co.'s fine residential premises on the Marina at Lagos, for which they paid £37,000. It is probable that these premises will be occupied by the c mpany's local representative, and the small wharf at ached to the property will be used for connection with the company's coasting service between Nigeria and the Gold Coast. Mess s. E'der Dempster and Co., Ltd. also purchased the Woermann Line repairing yard on the opposite side of the lagoon on the main land at Apapa for £19,000, to meet ha nequirem nta of their stoadily growng, float. useful to them. in conjunction with their floating dock, which by avrangement with the Government of Nigeria is shortly to be removed from Forcados to Lagos a The African Steamship Co. was incorporated by Rival Chartering the year 18 7, being the older whipping company connected with the West African teade. They purchased the head office promises of the Woermann Line of Lame! for the sum of 216, 0). This

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Firms Seeking Hongkong. Connections.

Trade Inquiry List No. 62. issued by the U. S. Consulate General in Hongkong, shows that American concerns are seeking Hongkong connections as below :-

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Presses.—The Junior Monarch Hay Press Company, of San | Leandro, Cal., desire a Hongkong egent for the introduction of their line of rapid baling presses for bulky commodities and invite correspondence,

Shaving cream and toilet necessities.—The. A. J. Krank Manufacturing Company, of St. Paul, Minn., seeks Hongkong connections for the introduction of its "Lather Kreem," massage cream and toilet necessities and invites correspondence.

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Shoe leather.—The Dupouy Leather Co., Inc., of 37 Sprice Street, New York City, desires to get in touch with importers of shoe leather in Hongkong and invites correspondence.

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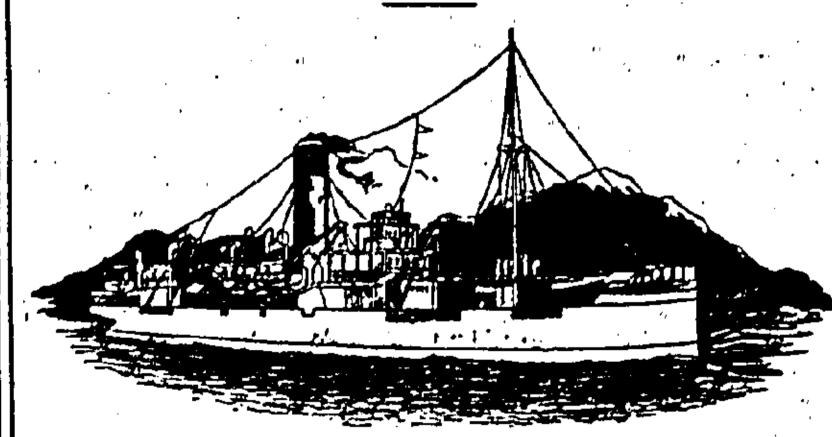
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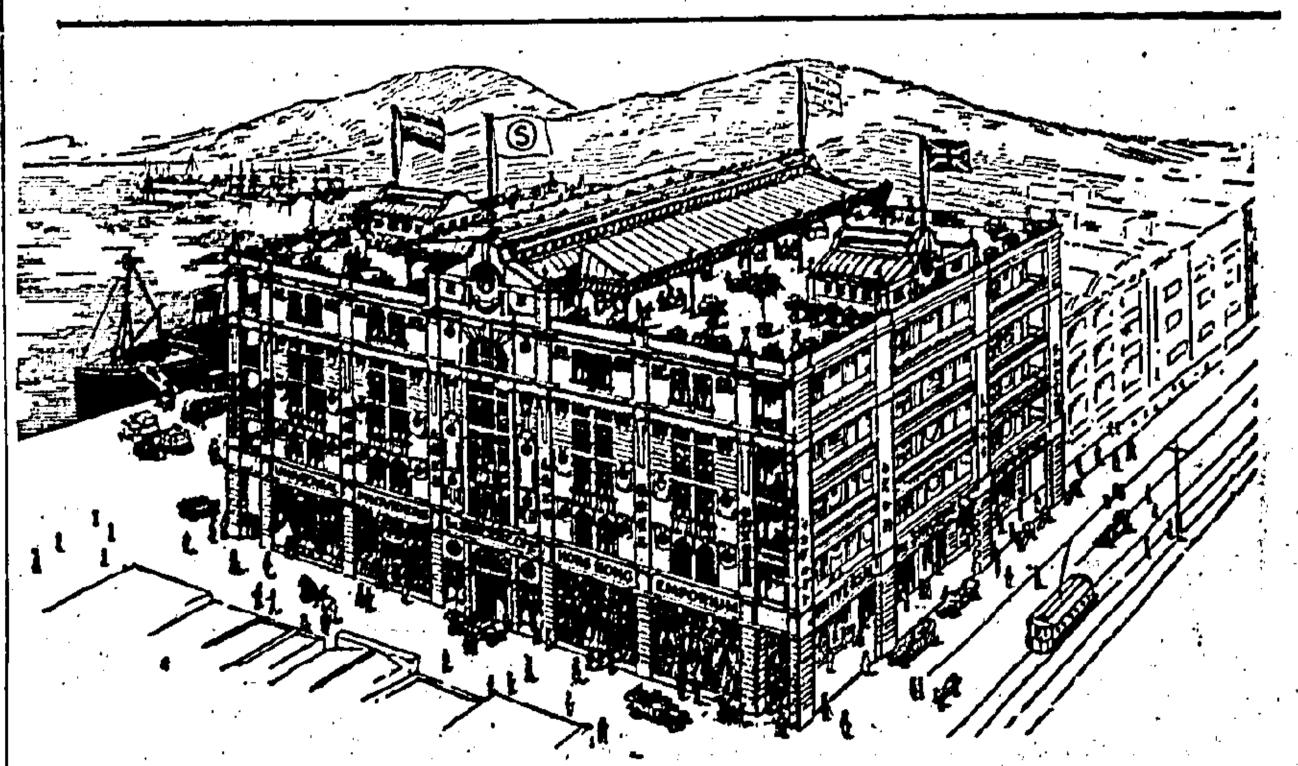
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SERBIAN PRISONERS.

Shamefully Treated in Germany.

December 31, 12.25 p.m. Benter's correspondent at Corfu says that escaped Serbian prisoners from Germany tell of shameful treetment. They were not only put to the hardest tasks and insufficiently fed and clad, but there is correborative and trustworthy evidence that the Austrians are employing them se combetants against the Russians. Many of these succeeded in surrandering, and thus eccaping.

HUNGARIAN CORONATION.

The Ceremony at Budapest.

December 31, 12.55 a.m. The ocronation of the King and Queen of Hungary was accomplished at Budepest with ancient pomp and solemnities.

A Picturesque Event.

December 31, 1.15 p.m. According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, a Budapest telegram states that at the coronation their Majorties were received at the Cathedral by the Cardinal, Primate and clergy, and conducted to the Loretto Chapel, where the King robed in a mantle and gird- by trench engines, the enemy twice attacked an advanced post west ed the sword of St. Stephen. He then proceeded to the High Altar, of Auberive, in Champagne, but completely failed before our machinewhere he was enthroned amidst the Barons of the Empire. After- gun fire and grenade-throwing. wards there was a pelebration of High Mass.

Count Tiese crowned the King, who afterwards took the oath in the great square in front of the cathedral in the presence of the people. He then proceeded to the coronation mound and waved the sword of St. Stephen to the four quatters of the Empire, symbolising his guardianship thereof.

MUNITIONS FROM CANADA.

Desember 31, 4.50 p.m.

have furnished a further credit of the ten millions sterling to pur- completely failed. chase Canadian munitions for Britain, making a total of fifty millions thus provided.

HOW A DANISH STEAMER WAS TORPEDGED.

January 1, 5.20 a.m.

Reuler's correspondent at Copenhagen says that the survivors of the crew of the Danish steamer Hroptatyr state that the boat was torpedoed by U18, near Wahant on December 22. They give harrowing details, and say that in a heavy sea the crew was ordered Ancre. to leave the ship. The boats were lowered with difficulty and one got nipped between the submarine and the steamer. The Captain and in the neighbourhood of Fauquissart was crushed to death, his head being severed from his body. Another man was killed.

The submarine took the rest of the crew abcard; and when a French destroyer rushed up, the submarine submerged and escaped being shelled by inches. The submarine ultimately arrived at Z ebrugge.

BRITISH GROWING REVENUE.

December 31, 4 55 a.m. The revenue for the quarter ended December 31 amounted to £129,217,712, as compared with £64,390,510 in 1915. This figure includes £48,443,000 received from the Excess Profits Duty.

GERMANY'S GAOL-BIRD SOLDIERS.

December 31, 1.15 p.m. Germany has begun recruiting from the gaole, excluding only the habitual criminals.

THE EGYPTIAN SUCCESS.

A Masterly Surprise Stroke.

Maghdabah victory, mentioned on December 25, was due to a aggression. masterly surprise stroke by the mounted camel corps. The artillery covered twenty miles of difficult ground in four hours, in a most rapid trot across the sands. A portion of the El Arish garrison had

December 31, 11 30 p.m.

fatien back into a strong position at Maghdabah, consisting of several well-situated redoubts. The action began at day break the artillery speedily demolishing one redoubt. Others were in a more difficult position and resisted longer. The enemy hoisted the white flag at three o'clock in the afternoon. Our casualties are comparatively ineignificant.

The present position menaces the enemy's railway communications and the remaining enemy garrisons on the Sinai Peninsula: therefore they are rapidly withdrawing.

PROMOTIONS AND DECORATIONS.

Sir Douglas Haig Made Field Marshal,

December 31, 3.00 a.m. The Gazette gives a list of promotions for distinguished services cotton has declined to 10.09d. ing satisfactory deliveries.

in the field, including Sir Douglas Haig, to be Field Marshal; Lieut. Whether this is only a temporary Flour Market Report, -Ameri-General Rawlinson, General; Major Generals H. Horne, G. Milne, drop resulting from peace rumours can Market; Wheat has had a set closing rates of the previous fortthe Earl of Cavan, Sir L. Kiggell and Sir S. Gough, Lieutenant remains to be seen; Small sales back on the recent peace talk, but might for about five days when it fully proportioned plan of his to any whose expenditure in section. Generale; General Smute, Hon. Lieutenant General.

More Vistoria Cross Awards,

December 31, 4.00 p.m.

The Gazelle mentions that the Victoria Cross has been conformed on Captain William Bloomfield, Scouts Gorps, South African Mounted Brigade; and on Lieutenant Eugene Benuett, of the Warrantership December 31, 4.00 p.m.

December 31, 4.00 p.m.

particularly are very firm and in lor export, which is at present for France has been conformed though steady. A small business is anticipated be about 200,000 seeks of all price for America and the price for Lieutenant Eugene Benuett, of the country and at all times it will these days demand from averyone the country and at all times it will these days demand from averyone the country and at all times it will be country and at all times are country and are country and at all times are country and are country and

Mounted Brigade; and on Lieutenant Eugene Bennett, of the Worcestershire Regt.

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PROHIBITION IN NEWFOUNDLAND

to-day. Bargains 29,000 bales.

HOTELEGRAMS LATER

[tienter's Service to the " Telegraph."]

ON THE WESTERN FRONT. Renawed Activity Reported.

December 31, 11:30 p.m. General, Sir Dongles, Heig, Line at communique, Heyel - We sombarded the enemy south-east of Le Transloy blowing up an ammunition-damp.

The enemy's artillery is active at Maritinppich.

We successfuly blew up a mine north-sast of Neuville St. Yeast. We effectively bombarded positions in the neighbourhood of Serre, and southward of Le Transloy, we abelied places of military importance.

To the cast of Arras, our fire destroyed the bridge scross the Laice to the east of Le Tilleloy, and to the north of Neure Chapelle

A Year's Captures on the Somms.

January, 1; 3.15 p.m. A Paris communique says:—There is nothing important to

The French at Verdun and on the Somme during the year 1916 captured 78,500 Germans.

Failure of German Attacks.

Januray I, 4.00 p.m. A French communque reports:—After a violent hombardment

Prisoners Taken.

December 31, 4.00 p.m. A French communique says :-- The night was calm. We captured some prisoners by a coup de main south of Chilly.

Enemy Attempt Falls.

January 2, 12,80 s,m. A French communique states:—On the right bank of the Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa says that Canadian bankers Mense, a strong enemy coup de main to the east of Des Chambrettee a deport for their attack on Calais. no-one has raised any objection notified during last week was 95.

It was relatively quiet elsewhere.

German Trenches Entered.

January 12, 12.80 a.m. General Sir Douglas Haig reports: - Our patrols entered enemy | was shot." trenches in several places eastward of Armentieres.

was immediately driven out. Enemy artillery is somewhat more active to the north of the Germens shelled the place and

There is a brisk reciprocal artillery duel in the Loos salient; it on fire."

FRENCH BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED.

Only Four Casualties.

December 31, 2.05 p.m. A Paris navel communique reporte: -The battleship Gaulois was invested M. Colsert and his splye that the New Year would was torpedoed by a submarine in the Mediterranean on December 27 son were taken prisoners, and find them more unselfish than the She sank in half an hour.

Owing to the discipline and coolness of all on board, and the ties. M. Colsert was now in his country needed our help. It was quantity of jewellery and a cash por not easy for us, who live in box, of the total value of over

NEW YEAR MESSAGES.

Allies Confident of Victory.

The King has sent the following New Year message to President Poincare:—"I am as confident as ever of a victorious issue to the Both journals expressed Spier out by the crath of our Empire.

On the Chinese shoes, and a quantity of the part of the struggle. I pray that the noble Franch nation, whose some have deep regret that they about in This is no time to despend on the cargo of a Blue Found attacker. strikingly and freshly proved the will to-victory, may, by the triumph the hurry and desire of two years of others. Each must take Sergeant-Wills said he would like Reuter's special correspondent in Egypt says that the of the Allies, re-enter the path of peapelul progress, secured against ago to publish news to allay pub. bis or her own part in self-denial to make the arrest of another

> President Poincare, replying to the King of Italy, days victory past a slur on this distinguished. This is, no time for luxury. is assured in the New Year.

HONGKONG TRADE.

Features of the Past Fortnight.

a ston goods .- During the interval difficult to negotiate with regard-

Woollens.—Tailoring have recently been ordered but practically nothing is doing in staple woollens.

Metals .-- Prices remain .. Practically unchanged. Dealers are not baying and there is little im-The Fortnightly Price Current provement to report. Prices at Gardens rainfall return, Commence contains the follow- in most lines. Mills are becoming registered on the 23rd. more and more engaged with Cotton piece goods and fancy domestic needs and are now

THE SHARE MARKET OHOTATIONS.

Banks W 4715.09. Unions. 923.00 H.K. Fires. 375.00. Indos (Def.) 136.00 Stramboats. 20.00 Chinas Sugara. 125.00 Langkats. H.K. Wharves. Elloon Dooks China Lights," Coments,

MAYOR OF YPRES.

£1,300 Damages for Libel Two Years Ago.

Under a settlement announced in the King's Bench last month M. Rene Colsert, mayor of Ypres, receives £1,300 and costs from the proprietors of the Manchester Guardian and the Pall Mall would never again be what it was Gasette and others for a libel contained in a letter from the front. This latter was published as

follows on December 4, 1914;-"In the wants, underneath the town hall was found an enormous quantity of German stores and ammunition, sufficient to last dormant, and some of which had them a month and serve them as never before been claimed. And the connivance of the mayor at State. All have seen that it is Victoria. The sufferers were two the time the Germans were in necessary, and that probably still British and the rest Chinese, one occupation. This explains their greater powers and rights will case being imported. In all deeperate effort to capture the be claimed by the State in the there were 68 deaths from the town again. The traitor mayor

An enemy patrol reached our lines southward of Pilken, but following addition appeared: In the Pall Mall Gazette the

"Immediately afterwards the smashed up the building and set

The defendants included Mr. Waldorf Astor and Mr. J. L. Garvin, of the Pall Mall Gazette, in the best sense of the word, has and Mr. J. Russell neatt, of the become an accomplished fact. Manchester Guardian.

Sir Edward Carson said that of Repentance and Hope, the as mayor of Ypres when the city preacher asked his hearers to rea member of the Belgian Parlia- peace and security 10,060 miles \$400 Sentence of three months ment, and had been elected to be from the stricken and blood- hard labour was passed. mayor of Ypres till 1919, after stained fields of France and having held every high-municipal Belgium, to give the war its

office available in the city. lic anxiety in this country, here and work for the common cause. men who was among the crowd. and patriotic citizen of their Ally. Deeds of our country cry aloud

A Dry Month,

and Market Report issued by the home and in America continue total fall for the month of Decem-Hongkong General Ohamber of firm, with alighted vanope to report ber was .08-inch. which was

Home prices for Fancy Goods practically no surplus available in about the same ratio. Baying stone; Tipet, contributions to and to those who already follows

A WAR SERMON. Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle on

Meeded Economies.

was the preacher at St. John's Shanghai Benking Corporation, Osthedral on Spinday morning, London Staff, of the Staff his text being :- Let us go on to persection!"—Hebrews.6-1: In the course of his sermon, the rev. gentleman referred to the struggles of the past year, in the great war, and said that while most of of the invader, or at least bed

natouched, save for invadore by air, who had often paid for their boldness with their lives. had become a nation in arms. The war had changed very largely the position of woman. She was now a fellow-worker with man. She had proved her ability to undertake and carry out successfully many tasks which had hitherto been confined to men, the consolidation of the position. the position and work of women men and those of the other unit."

before the war.

sheir lands one Empire medicieen

Continuing, the prescher said Perhaps the greatest changes THE of all have been in the direction of socialism. The State has asserted rights and has used powers some of which had long been near future, and, if claimed, will disease. be gladly yielded by the in. The other occurrences of comdividual. When the fate of the municable diseases were five of rights of the individual lose im- the rest Chinese, of which two portance. It is a change which has ended fatally; and one fatal, case which will have a lasting effect at number of cases of plague for the Home long after the war is over year was 39 (seven imported), of Probably few people even at Home which all but one terminated have realised how far socialism fatally.

After dealing with the Mission

right place in our lives. But me Mr. Bume Williams, K.C. mast endeavour to do so. Let-us M.P., explained that the tibel recise that the war is not won, 5 the of dried fish, 15 pairs of At the request of the jary their for us to cut down, our expendifees, 12 guiness, were handed ture on luxuries, and to over to the Belgian Relief Fund, count, as luxuries many things two will be provision for those which we have been accustomed dependent upon us, and personal to regard as manegaries. There expenses. are many people who would do It is, continued the prescher, well to make drastic changes in in the matter of personal expenses. their expenditure in the New that we can find scope for the Year, for what is justifiable, or continuous application of the According to the Botanical even laudable, in times of peace privilege of self-denial. In these becomes reprehensible and almost days, we ought to live on as little criminal when our country is in as we responsibly contrading the throse of such a struggle as ought at the beginning of the New this a struggle which, we are Year to review carefully the things repeatedly told, may be decided which we regard as necessaries to by the possession of the longest | make sure that they are pot really

gentleman, ought to have a careremains to be seen. Small sales back on the recent peace talk, but might for about nve days when it expenditure. Such a plan will guided by rule, that they should be samples have been effected from this has not so far resound on cost began to include at least these four divi- make a rule, for the New Year, Description of the property of

TRADE OPZNINGS.

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CAPT. READER HARRIS.

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our Allies had felt the harsh rule How He Wen the Military Cross.

The following is extracted from an English nemapaper with reference to Captain M. Reader Harris who, a short time ago, was awarded the Military Oross, and was afterwards selected to take a special course at Aldershot for

senior officers:-"He went to the assistance of another battalion under very had heavy fire, and greatly assisted in the set a fine example to his own

COLONY'S HEALTH.

Ninetyralye Small-pox. Cases Last Week.

The number of small-pox cases It had been put there with to this growing power of the Of these 70 were from the city of

Empire hange in the balance, the enterio fever, one Japanese and hardly touched us here, but one of plague, a Chinese. The total

> A Cook Sentenced. At the Magistracy this morning, Mr. C. D. Melbourne had before him a cook, formerly in the employ of Professor Digby,

Cargo Theft. Four men were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police and His Worship granted an adjournment for a week.

luxuries which through quetom we Every Christian, said the rev. have come to regard as necessary:

TELEGRAMS.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

INTERRUPTING TURKISH COMMUNICATIONS.

Loadon, December 29.

The great Chikaldir Bridge, mentioned in a communique yesterday, was the most vital link of the Bagdad Railway. Its destruction means the interrupting of Turkish communications towards Mesopotamia and Syria and the cutting off of supplies from rich provinces.

INTRIQUE AT ROME.

London. December 29.

"The Times" Rome correspondent reveals machinations of ex-Premier Caillaux at Rome, where he was promised that Germany was disposed to treat France generously and compel Austria to grant Italy practically all her national aspirations, provided that Germany should have a free hand in dealing with Russia and the Balkans. The whisperings of - M Chillang fell on deaf ears at the hint of drastic Government action, which nipped the intrigue in the bud-

CANADIAN WAR ESTIMATES.

Ottawa, December 29,

Parliament has been summoned for January 18, to pass the War Estimates before Sir Robert Borden's departure for London.

RUMANIAN NATIONAL MINISTRY.

London Droember 29.

Following the example of the Allies, Rumania has formed a National Ministry, which includes the prominent pro-Ally M. Jonescu and several supporters.

THE PEACE QUESTION.

Lindon, D comber 29.

Despite rebuffs, German agents at Washington are frantically working to induce President Wilson to support the new idea of a meeting of Neutrals at The Hague in January.

The proposals are regarded as another development of the German campaign to belittle the Allies.

London, December 30. It is expected that the reply of the Allies to the German Note will be published this afternoon.

The joint reply of the Allies to the German peace note was to-day communicated by the French Government to the United States Ambassador at Paris. It begins by stigmatising the proposal as illusory and protests strongly against the two material suggestions of it, namely the professing to throw on the Allies the responsibility for the war and proclaiming victory for the Central Powers. Both assertions are untrue and such claims alone are sufficient to render sterile all attempts at negotiation. The Allies are as strongly devoted to peace to-day as they were in 1914, but after Germany's violation of solemn engagements, Germany's promise is not a sufficient foundation on which to establish the peace she broke. The mere suggestion without a statement in terms that negotiations should be opened is not a peace offer and Germany's putting forward a sham proposal lacking all substance and precision is less a peace offer than a manœuvre. It is founded on a calculated misinterpretation of the character of the struggle past, present

London, December 30. Lord Curzon, in the course of a letter to the Primrose League, says: We all pray that this war may be the last, but the end is not in sight. Although there are signs of exhaustion in many quarters and peace kites are flying, neither side has obtained a preponderating decision, and it seems likely that the war will last well into another year; but we must not faiter, since a patched up peace will mean our immediate moral hunfliation and our ultimate destruction.

and future.

DESTRUCTION OF RUMANIAN OIL WELLS.

Am-terdam, December 29.

The German papers are most furious on learning the thoroughness of the destruction of the Rumanian oil wells. which a German staff officer, writing to the "Koelnische Zektung," describes as being so terrible and wild that it surpasses everything that has hitherto happened. Everything that was ruinable was ruined.

THE BALKAN STRUGGLE.

Lipadon, December 29. Despite German boasts, it is evident that the Germans

paid dearly for the capture of Rimnicul Serat. The Bussian forces were merely armed to gain time to

prepare for resistance on their principal line.

The Germans had to send division after division to the slaughter in order to gain what turns out to be a mere Pyrrhic victory.

Landon, December 30. A Russian official report, received by wireless, says:-The enemy occupied several heights in Oituz Valley.

We are consolidating ourselves northward of Horsha, and

east and wouth of Sosmezo. The enemy continued his obstinate attacks north-east of Rimniksers, mainly along the railway, captured Bordestshi,

and pressed us back near Zaicetsi. We heavily repulsed attacks southward of the Danube.

London, December 30, A German official report received by wireless states:---On the Transvivanian frontier mountains we entered the

enemy's positions, and, despite strong counter-attacks, pushed ahead, taking 660 prisoners. General Mackensen is pursuing the retreating enemy along the whole front between the mountains and the Danube.

GERMAN INTRIGUE IN CANADA.

Lindon, Dinember 29. Beven employes of the Quebec Arsenal have been arrest-

ed on a charge of stealing nickel.

The anthorities believe they are now on the track of the whole plot of the illicit export of Canadian nickel to the .United States, which has been engineered by German-Americans at engrmous cost.

Three tons of nickel were found packed in whisky casks,

[Rester's Bervice to the "Telegraph."]

TELEGRAMS.

LUKOVAL, CAROLEL

THE INDIAN STUDENT PROBLEM.

London, December 29. The Report of the Indian Students' Department, for the year ending June 30, says that on the whole the record of work done even under the restricted opportunities of war time, is encouraging to those responsible therefor; and the growing tone of cordiality and friendliness among Indian students in Great Britain is unmistakeable. If may be said that the influence which made the misunderstandings have diminished, and that the real objects of the Department are better appreciated and that commonsense and good humour prevailed. It concludes by stating that it may well be that the only permanent solution of the student problem lies in the building up in India of universities, industries and institutions adequate to give all her sons all the training they require; but that day is yet far off. Meantime, it may fairly be said that there is now no serious difficulty for Indian students in England which cannot be overcome by perseverance and encouragement on the part of those who wish to serve them and on the part of students by good conduct and good will.

The Report says that the record of the Indian Advisory... Committees, especially that of Bombay, is encouraging, and emphasises the importance of their work. Since it is chiefly in India that the student problem will be solved, no effort should be spared to strengthen the Committees and popularise their labours and make them yearly more representative and more efficient. The Secretaries should be heartily supported by the Provincial Educational Authorities and should be able to rely on the constant help of a small executive of working members, who might well have the co-operation also of one or two representative students chosen from men who have studied in England successfully. It also suggests occasional conferences of secretaries and members with ample supplies of information from every centre; and allowances should be made to enable secretaries to travel in their provinces and even to visit England; also the further utilisation of the Indian Press to explain the objects of the Committees and secure the co-operation of the leaders of Indian opinion,

FRENCH SHIPBUILDING.

Peris. December 30. The Chamber has authorised a State advance of £8,000,-000 to shipowners for the construction or purchase of ships.

FRENCH NATIONAL SERVICE.

Paris. December 30.

A Bill has been introduced in the Senate providing for the mobilisation of civilians between the ages of 17 and 60, for the organisation of national labour in France and her Colonies

THE WESTERN FRONT.

Paris. December 30. A communique states that the French raided and wreck-

ed German trenches between the Oise and the Aisne. The Germans violently bombarded French positions between the Meuse and Avocourt.

The French frustrated several bombing attacks at this front French aviators bombed different German munitions

works, including those at Neunkirchen, Paris, December 30. A communique states there has been a quiet day. There was artillery activity on both banks of the Ancre and on

the left of the Meuse.

A NEW KNIGHT.

London, December 30. Mr. Gordon Hewart, K.C., M.P., the new Solicitor General, has been knighted.

THREATENED NEW YORK STRIKE.

New York, December 30. Four hundred thousand railway workers threaten to strike on January 1st if the operation of the new-law establishing an eight-hours' day and other concessions is delayed.

AN AIR MINISTRY.

London, December 30.

The 'Daily Telegraph' states that the Government has decided to form an Air Ministry with ample powers. The Minister will probably be a Peer.

POLITICAL CHAOS IN AUSTRIA.

London, December 30.

Political chaos reigns in Austria-Hungary. . There are wholesale resignations and dismissals of prominent men generally regarded as responsible for Austria's parious condition as a satellite of Germany. The chief victim is the Dictator, Count Tieza, who will crown the King to-morrow but will probably retire after that event.

A MEDICAL PRONOUNCEMENT.

London, December 30. Experts of the London Hospital have announced that after investigations extending over several years they have decided that syphilis is not hereditary. They are of opinion that the child contracts the disease from the mother after

THE GREEK CRISIS.

Paris. December 30. The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber announces that it has received information fixing the responsibility upon King Constantine and the Greek Staff for the events of December 1st, thus demonstrating the necessity for energetic action.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S DESPATCH.

Landen. December 30. The papers warmly praise General Sir Douglas Haig's matter-of-lact statement and contrast it with General Hindenburg's vague generalities.

The opinion is expressed that nothing but an aberration, in the strategio sense, by the now War Cabinet, can save the Germans from a sound threshing in the Spring. The papers regard the despetch as ample explanation of the German people fover

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

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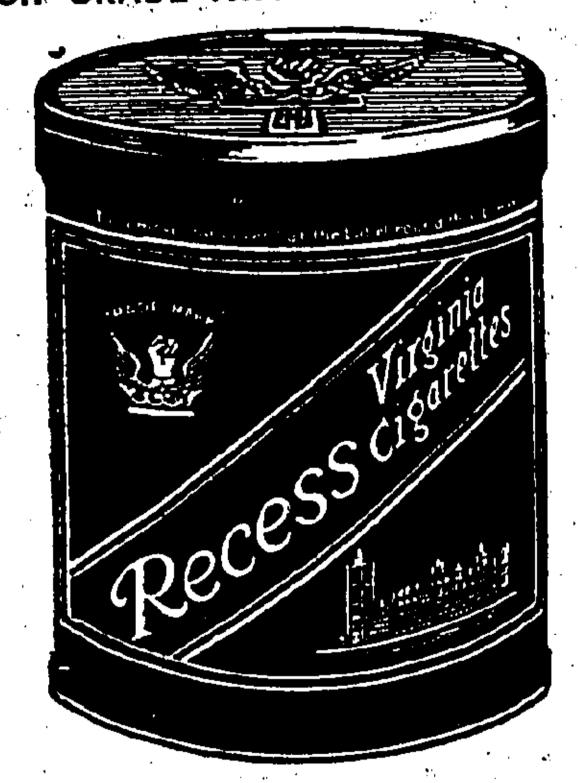
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Shinghai & N. Chiun-Per -, 2ad Jan.,

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Amoy-Per -, 3rd Jan, 8 a.m. Holhow, Pakhol & Haiphong-Per -3.d Jan. 9 a m. Swatow & Bangkok---Per --. 3rd Jan

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Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Moji, Victoria B.C. & Seattle---Per -, 3rd Jan., Regetration 9.15 a.m. Letters

Shanghai & N. Chira, Japan via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia) - Per -, 3rd Jan., Re-<∪& 11 a.m.

[Shanghai Ch: P. O. Saturday, 6th Jan.] Swatow, Amoy & Foochow-Per -, 3rd Jan., 11 am.

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THURSDAY, 4th January.

Shanghai & N. Chin , Japan via , Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central & South

Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong-Per -4th Jan., 9 a.m. Hoihow & Haiphong --- Per -- , 4th Jan ...

Darban, Jehannesburg, Cape Town & London--Per -- 4th Jan., 11 a.m.

Shanghai & N. China, (Europe via Siberia) -Per -, 4th Jan., Registration 2.75 p.m. Letters

[Shanghai Ch. P.O Monday, 8th Jan.] Philippine Isl. - Per -, 4th Jan., 5 pm.

SATURDAY, 6th January.

Shanghai & N. China-Per -, 6th Jan.

MONDAY, 8th January.

Shanghai & N. China, Japan via Nagagati, Victoria B.C., & Tacoma-Per --, Sth Jan.

TUESDAY, 9th January.

Philippine Isl., Australia & New Zealand via Port Darwin & New Guines vi . Thursday Isl. -Per -, 9th Jan. Registration 10.15 a.m. Letters 11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, 10th January.

Shanshai, M. China, Japan via Nagae ki, Victoria, Vancouver, To d United States, Central & Bouth America & United Kingdom via Conada (Europe via Siberia) — Per —, luth Jan., Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10,30 a.m. Shangbai Ch. P.O. Baturday, 13th Jan.]

FRIDAY, 19th January.

Straits, Burmah, Coylon, Australia, New Zealand, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt & Enrope. (The percei mall will be aloned on Thursday, 18th Jan., at 5 p.m.) —Per —, 19th Liefen H. a.m.

NOTICES.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or Indian desiring to leave the Colony should apply in person since yesterday. at the Central Police Station between the hours of 9 a.m.

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to sleng the east coast of China and over the north part of the China Sea. Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.01 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.01 inches, against an average of 0.06 inches.

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China Coast Meteorological Register. January 2, a.m.

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